

ANCHORAGE DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Wednesday, October 6, 2021 @ 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Virtual Meeting

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**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**Welcome & Introductions**

Participants: Silvia Villamides, Mike Ward, Jason Motyka, Richard Irwin, Alexandria McCormick, Chris Constant, Mercedes Colbert, Portia Noble, Kristine Bunnell, Robert Alexander, Sarah Alexander TCCC, Steven Callaghan, Derrick Chang, Tommy O'Malley

**Additions/changes to the agenda**

**Approval of agenda** - Richard Irwin made the motion to approve the agenda. Alexandria McCormick seconded the motion. Motion passed. Agenda approved.

**Approval of September meeting minutes** - Richard Irwin made the motion to approve the September meeting minutes. Alexandria McCormick seconded the motion. Motion passed. September meeting minutes are approved.

**Reports:**

**Assembly Report** – Chris Constant - Budget – reviewing now, Mask Mandate, Roles with new administration, Homeless announcement – how, who, where to serve, collaborative process. Admiral Tom Barrett & Rasmussen funded mediator. Tudor and Elmore location to shelter 200-300 people, other potential sites being considered to shelter small number of people. Female, male, LGBTQ+ separate housing.

Reapportion meeting met last week, Constant named Chair of committee. Downtown will have 2 representatives. Any resident can write out maps to be considered. Meetings on alternating Thursdays. In response to Prop. 12 passing

**Senate Representative Report** – Tom Begich - Following at state level the re-districting process. Oct. 27 – public opportunity to testify online/in person in Anchorage, Sen. Begich proposed maps to consider. More info. In the chat. By Nov. 22 elections the maps should be available. In 4<sup>th</sup> special session – focus fiscal plan. Begich proposing new revenue ideas. Capital projects for downtown area - America Rescue Funds – hoped to access it not able to as of yet. \$500 million dollars – infrastructure funding

**House of Representative Report** – Zack Fields – n/a

**Mayor's Office Report** – Portia Noble - Frontier Land Park – Next Monday opening. Increasing testing for Covid – drive throughs located at Alaska Airlines Center, Muldoon Assembly Church. Advertise campaign for 'hate crime' – report anything seen. Adding her e-mail in the chat for asking questions or making comments

**Anchorage Police Department** – n/a

**Anchorage School Board** – Margo Bellamy n/a

**Anchorage Downtown Partnership** – Amanda Moser – n/a (Chris Constant) - Change on Safety First – communicated to Mayor’s office, APD, assembly, ADP ending the call line. Won’t call for people – have the people call 911 and 311 themselves

**Our Downtown Update** – Kristine Bunnell - Rolling out hearing Oct. 12 – public – have had public input. Take the plan to assembly in March

**JBER** – Joy Boston n/a

## **New Business:**

**Alcohol and Marijuana Committee Update** – Silvia Villamides. 5 licensing coming up this month. Next meeting Oct. 20

**Treasurer Update** – Jason Motyka. DTCC earned \$435 in the last month Duck Race. Balance is \$4,104.10

## **Presentations:**

**LED liquor license relocation** – Robert Alexander - Requesting to transfer the liquor license to E St. between 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. (Old 13 Coins building) - Recommendations to introduce himself and establish a working relationship with The Hilton and Alaska Historic Hotel and others in the nearby area

## **Announcements/Neighbor Comments:**

**Bond Proposal** - Tommy O’Malley - 2 new cemeteries – one in Girdwood and one in Eagle River. Renovating buildings at the Anchorage cemetery to accommodate and extend the life of the cemetery. Call with questions. In the phone book. Tommy O’Malley in Girdwood.

## **ADJOURN MEETING**

Sylvia Villamides moved to adjourn the meeting. Richard Irwin seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at: 6:36pm